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House Resolution 921

By: Representative Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Volunteer Firefighter Allen "Butch" Eleam; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on May 15, 2005, the Summerville Fire Department was called out to a
- 3 structure fire with suspected entrapment; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Eleam arrived at the same time as Engine 9 and upon arrival was informed there
- 5 were possibly people still inside the burning residence, so he made a forcible entry; and
- 6 WHEREAS, when Eleam entered the home there was heavy black smoke and intense heat,
- 7 yet he was able to find an unconscious woman in the second room of his search; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Eleam dragged the unconscious woman through and ultimately out of the
- 9 burning house and went back with two other firefighters to search for other victims and to
- 10 extinguish the fire; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the victim Eleam rescued from the burning home was revived on the scene and
- 12 later treated for smoke inhalation; and
- WHEREAS, Eleam's disregard for his own well-being and quick actions saved the life of
- 14 another person.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- the members of this body recognize Firefighter Allen "Butch" Eleam for his heroic acts.
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Firefighter Allen "Butch"
- 19 Eleam.